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Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended to their undersigned representative in a phone interview on December 29, 2003. During the interview, the Examiner proposed amendments to the claims that would put the claims in condition for allowance. After review of the suggested claim amendments, Applicants representative authorized the suggested amendments. Applicants thank the Examiner for a careful reading of the claims. The adopted amendments clarify the claims. Applicants have the position that the claim amendments do not narrow the claims.

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